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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
: Examiner: D. Tran  
KAZUYOSHI SUMIUCHI )  
: Group Art Unit: 2624  
Application No.: 09/342,926 )  
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Filed: June 30, 1999 )  
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING )  
: April 16, 2004  
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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for taking further action in the above-identified application for one month from March 18, 2004 to Monday, April 19, 2004.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$110.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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